

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

April 16, 2015

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: Mayor James Calnon, Councilors Rachelle Armstrong (W1) (*participated via Skype*), Mike Kelly (W2), Dale Dowdle (W3), Paul O'Connell (W4), Becky Kasper (W5), Joshua Kretser (W6)

Absent: None

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on April 1, 2015 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the weeks ending April 8, 2015 in the amount of \$ 284,998.26 and April 15, 2015 in the amount of \$ 318,705.72 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the weeks of April 1 – April 15, 2015
- Report from the Building Inspector's office April 14, 2015
- Report from the Parking Violations Bureau for March 2015
- Statement from the City Clerk's Office of all monies received during the month of March 2015 in the total amount of \$14,161.53

RESOLVED: That the reports as listed are hereby ordered received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kasper

Councilor Dowdle asked some questions about the Parking Violations Bureau report.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

4. CORRESPONDENCE OR RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None

5. AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

RESOLVED: That the bills Audited by the Common Council for the weeks ending April 10, 2015 in the amount of \$ 921,263.65 and April 17, 2015 in the amount of \$ 1,448,441.34 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL: None

7. OTHER ITEMS:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the American Cancer Society to hold a “May Day” celebration on Friday, May 1, 2015 from 4p – 7p in Trinity Park.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Engineering to advertise for bids for Contract # 2015-10 “Painted Pavement Markings.”

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Engineering to advertise for bids for Green Stormwater Infrastructure Implementation Project.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves MLD Bid No. 2015-2-1 "Aerial Tree Truck with Dump Body" be awarded to Altec, Inc in the total amount of \$162,279.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

E. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Plattsburgh YMCA to hold a Moving-Up Ceremony at the City Recreation Center Community Room on 6/26/15 from 11:30-4:30pm.

By Councilor Dowdle; Seconded by Councilor Armstrong

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

F. THE MAYOR HANDS DOWN THE APPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICER TO CHRISTINE LABOMBARD EFFECTIVE APRIL 23, 2015 PENDING THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A 78 WEEK PROBATIONARY PERIOD.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

G. THE MAYOR HANDS DOWN THE APPOINTMENT OF POLICE OFFICER TO RANDELL BROWN EFFECTIVE APRIL 23, 2015 PENDING THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A 78 WEEK PROBATIONARY PERIOD.

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

H. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to create capital project 2015 Street Resurfacing (H5110.50) in the amount of \$1,340,000 as per the items selected from the 2015 Capital Expenditure Plan.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

I. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to create capital project 2015 Peru Street Sewer Repair (H8130.61) in the amount of \$280,000 as per the item selected from the 2015 Capital Expenditure Plan.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

J. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Contract # 2015-01 "South Peru Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement" be awarded to Ed Garrow and Sons, Inc. for the bid price of \$183,868.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor Kasper

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

K. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to create capital project 2015 Building Improvements (H5110.51) in the amount of \$300,000 as per the items selected from the 2015 Capital Expenditure Plan.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: Yes

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

L. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Aleka's Restaurant LLC located at 103 Margaret Street to use two parking spaces in front of their establishment for outdoor dining, seating subject to appropriate licensing by NYS Liquor authority. The owners will contact Concrete Supply or similar and are prepared to purchase concrete barriers. The City is asked to permit the licensee to use concrete barricades with the City installing and removing at the beginning and end of the season. The City will be reimbursed for these services and the cost shall be determined by the Department of Public Works. The requested dates are from May 1, 2015– September 30, 2015.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

M. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the Champlain Wine Company located at 30 City Hall Place to use one parking space in front of their establishment for outdoor dining seating, subject to appropriate licensing by NYS Liquor authority. The owners will contact Concrete Supply or similar and are prepared to purchase concrete barriers. The City is asked to permit the licensee to use concrete barricades with the City installing and removing at the beginning and end of the season. The City will be reimbursed for these services and the cost shall be determined by the Department of Public Works. The requested dates are from May 1, 2015– September 30, 2015.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

N. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Olive Ridley's located at 37 Court Street to use two parking spaces in front of their establishment for outdoor dining seating, subject to appropriate licensing by NYS Liquor authority. The owners will contact Concrete Supply or similar and are prepared to purchase concrete barriers. The City is asked to permit the licensee to use concrete barricades with the City installing and removing at the beginning and end of the season. The City will be reimbursed for these services and the cost shall be determined by the Department of Public Works. The requested dates are from May 1, 2015– September 30, 2015.

By Councilor O'Connell; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

O. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Irises Café & Wine Bar located at 20-22 City Hall Place to use four parking spaces in front of 16-24 City Hall Place (Irises Café Wine Bar and DeLish by Irises) for outdoor dining seating, subject to appropriate licensing by NYS Liquor authority. The owners would like to use the concrete barriers as in past years. The City is asked to permit the licensee to use concrete barricades with the City installing and removing at the beginning and end of the season. The City will be reimbursed for these services and the cost shall be determined by the Department of Public Works. The requested dates are from May 1, 2015– September 30, 2015.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor O’Connell

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

P. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves The Pepper located at 13 City Hall Place to use two parking spaces in front of their establishment for outdoor dining seating, subject to appropriate licensing by NYS Liquor authority. The owners will contact Concrete Supply or similar and are prepared to purchase concrete barriers. The City is asked to permit the licensee to use concrete barricades with the City installing and removing at the beginning and end of the season. The City will be reimbursed for these services and the cost shall be determined by the Department of Public Works. The requested dates are from May 1, 2015– September 30, 2015.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one Police Officer to attend “Clandestine Laboratory Recertification Course” in Oriskany, NY from May 26 – 28, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$35.

By Councilor Kretser; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Discussion: Yes

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one Officer and two Fire fighters to attend “Hazardous Materials Conference” in Montour Falls, NY from April 24 -26, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$494.10.

By Councilor Armstrong; Seconded by Councilor O’Connell

Discussion: Yes

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

C. Motion to waive rule 4 for initial consideration “Request from Police Chief Racicot for one Police Officer to attend “2015 STOP Domestic Violence Annual Conference and Training” in Monroe, NY from April 28 – May 1, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$452.25.

By Councilor O’Connell; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one Police Officer to attend “2015 STOP Domestic Violence Annual Conference and Training” in Monroe, NY from April 28 – May 1, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$452.25.

By Councilor Kasper; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O’Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION:

1. Request from Police Chief Racicot for one Police Officer to attend “2015 STOP Domestic Violence Annual Conference and Training” in Monroe, NY from April 28 – May 1, 2015 at a cost not to exceed \$452.25. (**Move to agenda under “Travel Request” Letter C**)

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor O’Connell updated everyone on the Gerald Burdo Field dedication and Veterans Bridge Dedication on May 23.

Mayor Calnon mentioned adding more bike racks and doggie stations with the \$3300 revenue generated by the Parklet fees.

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor O'Connell; Seconded by Councilor Dowdle

Roll call Councilors Armstrong, Kelly, Dowdle, O'Connell, Kasper, Kretser

(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:50pm